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LETTER OF ADVISEMENT ISSUED TO DIRECTOR MAF, ON FST.

MEI-THOS. BORTHWICK & SONS (A'ASIA) LTD. MASTERTON

N.Z. EFFECTIVE NO. 28, 1973.

FPO REVIEW ON 11-13-73 REVEALED FOLLOWING.

1. BOBBY VEAL CALF CARCASSES UNACCEPTABLE. DRESSING
DEFECTS (FECAL MATERIAL, STAINS, HIDE, HAIR) PLUS
EXTENSIVE HARMLESS EXTRANEUS MATERIAL ON CARCASSES.

2. SANITARY MAINTENANCE OF OVERHEAD STRUCTURES
UNACCEPTABLE ALLOWING PAINT, CONDENSATE, HARMLESS
EXTRANEUS MATERIAL ON BEEF CARCASSES.

3. MAF DIVISIONAL VETERINARIAN INFORMED ON 11-14-73 OF
ABOVE DEFICIENCIES.
FOLLOWUP FPO REVIEW ON 11-16-73 REVEALED:

(A) MAF HAD SUSPENDED U.S. EXPORT OPERATIONS - (BEEF
KILL) ON 11-16-73 BECAUSE OF SANITARY DEFICIENCIES.

(B) SUSPECT PRODUCT OBSERVED ON 11-13-73 UNDER
INSPECTIONAL CONTROL.

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(C) U.S. EXPORT OPERATIONS RESUMED ON 11-26-73.
FPO REVIEW OF 11-27-73 FOR DEFROST INSPECTION OF FROZEN
BOBBY VEAL. APPROX. 60,000 LBS. BOBBY VEAL PRESENT AT
EST.

1. PRODUCTSNN HAND LOTTED AND SAMPLED AS PER MI MANUAL
OF PROCEDURES 318.8.

2. SAMPLING PLAN NO. 15-STEP 1 ON BONELESS VEAL
TRUNKS HAD FOL DEFECTS.

3. 3 MAJOR H E M ; 1 MAJOR HAIR; 13 MINOR HEM; 9 MINOR
HAIR; 3 MINOR BONE; 2 MINOR BLOOD CLOT/BRUISE; 2 MINOR
STAIN.

3. REINSPECTION RECORDS OF EST. AND INSPECTION STAFF
DID NOT REFLECT CONDITION OF THE PACK.

4. PLANT QUANTITY CONTROL PROGRAM AND INSPECTIONAL
CONTROL SUSPECT.
MAF ON 11-28-73 AGREED TO:

1. DIVERT ALL BONELESS VEAL TRUNKS IN STORAGE AT EST.
FROM U.S. MARKET.

2. RETAIN ALL BEEF AND VEAL PRODUCT AT EST. FOR DEFROST
REINSPECTION UNDER DIRECTION OF DIVISIONAL VET.
LIST OF EXPORT CERTIFICATES TO U.S. FROM MEI FROM OCTOBER
1, 1973 TO PRESENT, BEING AIRMAILED THIS DATE.
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